

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 1 has been rejected over prior art. However, claims 2-13 have been indicated as being allowable if suitably revised to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 has been revised to incorporate the subject matter of claim 2. Accordingly, claim 1 is now allowable. The dependencies of claims 3-6 have been revised. Claims 3-13 depend, either directly or indirectly, from claim 1. Therefore, claims 1 and 3-13 are now in proper condition for allowance.

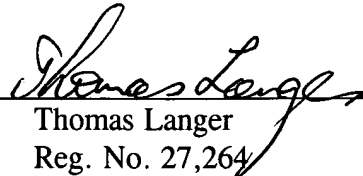
Prompt and favorable action to this effect and early passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any comments, questions, suggestions or objections, he is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned in order to facilitate reaching a resolution of any outstanding issues.

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